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1. The following vessels were in the Neptunwerft

a) The ex-German destroyer "Provorni", former 'Z.30', was in dock for a refitting which was to be completed by the fall of 1949.

b) The ex-German destroyer 'Z.9' arrived for a refit

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c) The Russian gunnery training ship "Leningrad Soviet" was under overhaul.

d) An unidentified liner of about 3,500 tons was in the large dock having her screw repaired.**

e) The submarine tender "Snolni" was in dock for a general overhaul and fitting of hydrophones which were of a pre-war American make. The diving tender "Plastir" was in dock for an unknown reason.

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f) Two ex-German minesweepers, were in dock for a refit

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g) Three seagoing tugs which formerly belonged to the German Navy were in dock for unknown reasons. One of these, weighing about 600 tons, left

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The other two remain in the yard. One of them is the former 'Donau'.

h) An unidentified patrol vessel or armed trawler of about 500 tons had recently been salvaged and was towed in for rebuilding.

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i) A hydrofoil boat which recently made a short trial run was in dock.

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j) The minesweeper 'R.87', carrying an Oerlikon gun aft, put in to Rostock and left soon afterwards.

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2. The first of the salvage pontoons being built at the yard was launched under the name 'P.1'. The second will be launched very soon.

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3. Since the engine compartments of the fishing cutters are constantly being modified, it appears that the management does not know what type of engines they are to receive.
4. Activity has increased in the Neptunwerft area in the last few months. Although the payroll has reached 5,250, there is still a shortage of materials. There are 800 to 1,000 tons of Upper Silesian hard coal in stock.

* ☐ Comment: It is believed that the ex-German destroyers 'Z.4' and 'Z.8' are also in the Neptunwerft. 50X1-HUM

** ☐ Comments: This liner is possibly the "Borussia". 50X1-HUM

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